The Spencer Davis Group, I Wash My Hands In N

I was born in macon, georgia, met my dad in a macon jail He said, "son, if you keep your hands clean You won't have them bloodhounds on your trail"

I fell in with bad companions, robbed a man in tennessee Sheriff caught me way up in nashville And they locked me up and they threw away the key

Refrain

I washed my hands in muddy water I washed my hands but they didn't come clean Tried to do what my daddy told me

But I must have washed my hands in a muddy stream

I asked the jailer when my time's up, he said, "son, we won't forget If you try to keep your hands clean We may make a good man of you yet."

I couldn't wait to do my sentence, I broke out of the nashville jail I just crossed the line of georgia
And I can hear those bloodhounds on my trail

Refrain (2 times)